

THE EVENING LIGHT

And

Church of God Evangel.

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1.

"And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

"For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God." Acts 10:46.

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Christ Our Law-Giver and King.

His Church to Be Built and Governed By Himself.

Those Who Obey Him Here Most Likely to Reign with Him in the Millennium.

There are a number of people who have enjoyed the latter rain showers that have been falling, and have received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost, but are floating around as a sailing vessel without any chart or compass. Their sails are spread and as the wind blows in a certain direction they move off with great joy and liberty; but when that puff of wind ceases and another one comes from another direction, off they go again, with that gust thought it may be driving them almost in an opposite direction. Just so they are sailing they seem to be satisfied. Steamer with a chart, and compass for a guide will hoist their sails, and fly before the wind, provided it carries them in the right direction. And when the wind comes that is contrary they take down the sails, and cast anchor until a favorable breeze comes again. We should not be carried about with every wind of doctrine. It is very unsatisfactory to be unsettled. One who is unsettled is unsafe. One who is settled

on the wrong foundation is dangerous. It is always good for a man to change from the wrong to the right but it is very serious to change from the right to the wrong. I have in mind a sweet Christian character, who was very strong against a certain line of truth, but in a short time the tempest seemed to blow so hard in the right direction, that this precious soul was driven by the tempest and accepted the truth, but he remains so unsettled, judging from his conversation, that there are some fears that if he was to get into a severe tempest beating against this same line of truth, he would fall in with that tempest, and turn in the opposite direction again. We cannot trust such a person, neither can God depend upon him. Rooted and grounded in the truth is the only safe place.

The question is often asked "what should the Pentecostal people do as pertaining to organization? Should they organize or remain with no order or government? There is only one way to

settle these questions and that is to examine the Scriptures, unbiased and unprejudiced. All will agree that the whole "latter rain" affection ought to be one, in answer to the prayer of Jesus in John 17:21-23. But it does not matter so much about what people agree upon, as it does what the Bible says. The Bible then says that we should be one in doctrine, one in mind and have no divisions. "Now I beseech you, brethren, by the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you: but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind, and in the same judgement." 1 Cor. 1:10- Fulfil ye my joy, that ye may be like-minded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind." Phil. 2:2. Two or more minds might run together and they agree on something that was wrong, and for fear that this might be the case, and in order to cut off occasion for such a serious error, Paul adds, "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus." Phil. 2:5. This then is intended to put us in one accord with Christ, and if all the Pentecostal people be in accord with Christ they will be in one accord with each other as a whole. What should the Pentecostal people do? Get in one accord with Christ in doctrine, and this will bring us all together in one body, into one organization, under one government, with only one law-giver, Christ, who is the Head of the

Church. Jesus gave His Church for government, and all the laws for government come from Him, through His Holy Apostles. I admit that we have those in Pentecostal ranks, who oppose government and any form of organization, but such are false teachers. They refuse to submit to any government, and are out every one for himself, even contending against any form of organization and say they are members of Christ's Church. It matters not how spiritual they may seem to be or how honest they may be, they are dangerous characters and enemies to Christ and His truth. "But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord.....and despise government. Presumptuous are they, self-willed, they are not afraid to speak evil of dignities." 2 Peter 2:1,10. "Likewise also these filthy dreamers defile the flesh, despise dominion (government) and speak evil of dignities." Jude 8. No one can be a member of Christ's Church and refuse government and hold themselves aloof from organization-His organization, His government, His laws. His Church means government. It is not a legislative or law making body, but an executive body. It executes the laws already given. It is also a judicial body, because it applies the laws already enacted to particular cases. To object to dominion, to despise government, to refuse organization means opposition to the council at Jerusalem Acts 15, and means opposition to Christ's Church. His Church for the saints in this world is what His kingdom is to be universally in the millennium. If we prove ourselves to be good executives here, we will more likely receive a kingdom over which to reign there. If we prove ourselves to be obedient to His laws here and

now He will more likely trust us with the reigns of government there and then. In the teaching of the parable of the pounds of our Lord, Luke 19:12-27. He shows the value of obedience and faithfulness to His government, and laws and in verse 27 calls the people his enemies who refuse His reigning over them commanding them to be brought and slain before Him. If I reject His government and disobey His laws, I am a disloyal subject and according to this teaching I must be slain. The Apostle Paul gives the same teaching at 2 Thes.1:7-9 where he says....."The Lord Jesus Christ shall be revealed from heaven, with His mighty angels, in flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not God, that obey not the Gospel (commands) of our Lord Jesus Christ: who shall be punished with everlasting destruction, from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power." The reading of this Scripture calls for another to explain what it is to know God, for we read here that He is going to take vengeance on them that do not know Him. At 1 Jno. 2:3,4, we are told how we know Him. "And hereby we do know that we know him, if we keep his commandments. He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him." This brings us right down to obedience to His laws again.

We frequently hear people say "I know I have passed from death unto life because I love the brethren," which is a quotation of John 3:14, which is alright, but let us look a little farther on and see what it is to love God's children or the brethren. "By this we know that we love the children of God, (brethren) when we love God, and keep his commandments. And this is the love of God that we keep his commandments. This brings us down to obedience, to His

laws and government again. Christ's laws. Christ's government. "God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in times past to our fathers by the prophets, Hath in these last days spoken unto us by His Son." Heb. 1:1,2. Then to be loyal subjects of His government, we must obey His laws or commands. We have already shown that to refuse to do this, makes us worthy of being slain, or punished with everlasting destruction.

Many people today who claim to be members of Christ's Church (government) remind me of people who come from foreign countries to the United States and fail to take the oath of all allegiance. They are on United States soil or territory, reaping the benefits therefrom, but not United States citizens. Israel was recognized by God as His children, and chosen people, but not until they accept and covenant to keep the laws of God given through Moses were they recognized as, or called the "Church in the wilderness." Church then means government. Christ's government. His Church. Here then is where women are to keep silence. 1 Cor. 14:34. Here, too, is where Paul said he would rather speak five words with his understanding than ten thousand words with an unknown tongue. 1 Cor. 14:19. Here also, is where not over three at most, and that one at a time may speak in tongues and let one interpret, and if there be no interpreter let him keep silence in the Church. 1 Cor. 14:27,28. There were no women speaking in the council at Jerusalem. No one talking in tongues. They were a judicial body, searching for and applying the laws to the particular case. When the law was found touching that particular case, it was applied and James who seemed to be chairman, moderator, overseer or ruling elder, made the

statement which settled all discussion and debate, and there were no votes taken because they had only to obey the law already given and only added words of explanation.

His Church then, is not a government by the people, which is democratic form, neither is it a government by the people, by representatives-which is a republican form; but the government shall be upon His shoulders. Isa. 9:6. His Church is a theocracy. God giving His laws through Moses is a type. God giving His laws through Christ is evidently the very image. The perfection for government. "For the law having a shadow of good things to come and not the very image of the things." Heb. 10:1. This signifies that Christ is the real government of which Moses' was only a shadow. The government through Moses has had an end, but the government under Christ, is to continue to be perpetual; "of the increase of His government.....there shall be no end." Isa. 9:7.

He is to rule or govern His Church in this world as Moses governed Isreal in the wilderness. As Isreal was a peculiar treasure unto God among thousands of inhabitants, but separate from them, so Christ "gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works." Titus 2:14. We are in the world but not of the world. We are under Christ's government, yet must be subject to the powers "that be" in whatever country we are placed except these worlds governments conflict with our obligations to Christ. Then Christ must be honored, and obeyed rather than the world governments even at the peril of our lives. Acts 4:19, Acts 5:29. "Christ is the head of the church: and he is the Savior of the body." Therefore the church is to be subject to Christ in everything.

"He loved the church, and gave Himself for it; That He might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, that he might present it to Himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish." Eph. 5: 23-27. These, then, who have followed and obeyed Him faithfully here will constitute His great host of rulers and governors during His thousand years reign on earth, when He will reign without a rival. All people, all nations will be subject unto Him. "And the Lord God shall give unto the throne of His father David.....And of His kingdom there shall be no end." Luke 1:32,33.

Manifestations of the Spirit.

Geo. Fox and Early Quakerism--Demonstrations in Early Methodism.

The Heavenly Chorus--Let the Holy Ghost Have His Way--Two Engines Side by Side.

In every great revival there are real manifestations of the Spirit's presence and power; and the present Pentecostal revival is no exception: but, as in all past time, the devil has stirred up his people against the work the Lord is doing, to such an extent that many honest souls have been frightened away and still more, who are fleshly minded, have been unwilling to bear the reproach of the cross, and therefore have joined with the host of Satan in condemning all the manifestations of the Spirit of God in this wonderful work, and attributing them to Satan; and, strange to say, who, to my personal knowledge, have had wonderful manifestations themselves or in their own families, for the sake of popularity have joined the ranks of the critics; and in their literature especially, and also in their preaching have stood against all manifestations, and have thus insulted and slurred the blessed Holy Spirit of God; while others in their zeal to exclude that which is of

the flesh, have gone too far and have grieved and quenched the Spirit. And in every instance, so far as I know, where these things have happened, the Holy Spirit has largely ceased to work at all, and the meetings are dead or rapidly dying.

As I have said, in every great revival there are manifestations of the Holy Spirit. When George Fox and the early Quaker preachers preached the Gospel, the Holy Ghost rested upon them in such power that they quaked under His power; and thus they were nick-named "Quakers." When the Holy Ghost no longer thus manifested His presence amongst them, all persecution ceased; and today they are holding the teachings of their fathers, but by no means have the power.

Every one who has read the history of Methodism will remember the wonderful way in which the Lord manifested His presence, and demonstrated His power in their midst in the early days of that people. People fell from their seats while the Word was preached. They were violently shaken and "jerked." They fell, and lay for hours under the power of the Spirit of God. They had visions, and sometimes wonderful things were revealed to them. No one, so far as I know, doubts the genuineness of these things; but all accept them as wonderful evidences that God was working among His people. Now is it not passing strange that when the Lord begins to work in exactly the same way today, so many should rise up and condemn it all, and say: "It is the flesh, or the Devil?"

I have read an account somewhere of a mighty revival in the State of Kentucky, about the year 1800. At one time there were 20,000 people present. Preachers of different denomination took their stand on stumps and logs; and, while several of them would be preaching at the same time, scores of people would be overcome by the mighty power of God, and would fall like dead men. In fact, it was stated that the power was so great that the hardest sinners would fall as dead men before God, and be converted before they rose from the earth. Even those who boasted that they could resist the power, in some instances fell from their horses before they reached the ground.

For more recent records of the wonderful manifestations of the Spirit of God among the people, one has only to refer to the Autobiography of Chas. G. Flinney. While this wonderful man of God preached the Gospel in the Holy Ghost sent down from Heaven, it was no unusual occurrence for numbers to be so overcome by the power of God

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Meeting Notices.

A. J. Tomlinson and workers are expecting to be at Alva, Florida, November 17-28, D. V. The people about Alva should make preparation to attend every service.

The Pentecostal World-Wide Mission Band will (D. V.) be at Wanchula, Fla., Dec. 6-15.

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that they would fall from their seats to the floor, and lie for hours under the power of the Spirit, and come through gloriously converted. These things are accepted as genuine manifestations of the Holy Ghost by God's people everywhere today, and I fully believe in their genuineness.

We now come to the present movement, which is called by some the "Pentecostal movement," and is called by others, by way of ridicule, the "Tongues" movement; and by some it is called the "Latter Rain" movement. I simply look upon it as a mighty outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the people of God.

It is now three years since the Spirit fell in Los Angeles, California. The advent of the Spirit was accompanied by several definite manifestations, which at once attracted attention. The first was the speaking in tongues as the Spirit gave utterance, which followed in every instance. The second was a song in the Spirit. It has been called "The Heavenly Anthem," "The Heavenly Chorus," and "The Lord's Song." It cannot be described, I never heard anything so beautiful and soul-ravishing in my life; and it is heavenly either to sing it or to hear it sung. No one can possibly join in when it is sung, except those who are baptized in the Holy Spirit; and even the baptized saints can sing in this chorus only as the Spirit moves upon them to do so.

Many times when numbers were singing all around me, I have found it impossible for me to join in, as the Spirit did not move on me, or in me to do so; and again as soon as some one else would strike a note, the Spirit would move in me, and I would join in, and He would sing through me, just as a musician produces music upon an instrument. But there were other manifestations also, such as shaking, falling under the Spirit's power, etc. And it is these that have been so violently opposed, and so severely criticised; and even some who claimed to be friends of the work have condemned all physical manifestations as being of the flesh or even of the devil. Now let us consider some of the facts in the case, which ought to determine whether these manifestations were of God or not. Some have accepted the former, and rejected the latter, saying they believed the speaking in tongues, singing in the Spirit, etc., was of God, but that they did not believe the shaking, falling on the floor, etc., was from God. I contend that one is as much from God as the other; for the same power that speaks in tongues shaks the bodies of those who speak in tongues. It is of notice also that in almost every case

the speaking in tongues was preceded by physical manifestations, such as falling under the power, or being violently shaken, or both. In fact, it is an unusual thing to see a person receive the Holy Ghost without some of the above mentioned manifestations accompanying the experience.

The Devil's object in excluding all manifestations is simply to exclude the Spirit from among the people; for he knows that where the Spirit works there are certain to be manifestations, and to forbid all of them is simply to forbid the Spirit to work at all. I have seen hundreds of people receive the Holy Ghost in the last two years, and among this number have been young and old, rich and poor, learned and unlearned, some from most every denomination, even including Catholics, many from the Lutheran Church, and many from the Holiness ranks, and out of all this number I have never seen even one person receive the Holy Ghost without physical manifestations, and also the speaking in tongues.

Now, supposing I should say, as many are doing, "We ought to stop all manifestations," how could it be done? What would be the result if I should attempt it. How would I dare to do it. Some one please tell me how to go about it. For instant, a brother comes into the meeting; we begin to sing; presently he begins to tremble under the power of God and falls from his seat to the floor, and is violently shaken; in a little while he comes through, and begins to speak in tongues and glorify God. I ask again what am I to do in such a case? It is all very easy for those who know not the power of God to stand off and talk about "order," "dignity," etc., but when we pray that God will put His power upon us, and this is the result, it is entirely another thing; and one case like I have mentioned often does more good than many of the best sermons I can preach. Folks say, "Who can doubt such an experience?" and I repeat, "Who can doubt such an experience?"

We have times when we have no such manifestations as have mentioned; but, during such times, we have never had even one soul baptized in the Holy Spirit, and while we have profited by the teaching of the Word, testimony, etc., at such times there are little or no definite results.

Now, I expect to be accused of encouraging fleshly manifestations; but every one who knows me, and has listened to my preaching for the last two years, knows that no one could have stood firmer against all that is of the flesh than I have done, and that I

have constantly taught that it is a sin for any one to do anything in the flesh or of themselves, and have stood against even a testimony or prayer that is in the flesh, or that exalts man, and that I have exhorted, and still do, that every child of God first yield wholly to God, and trust fully the cleansing Blood of Christ, and ask God to give them the gift of the Holy Ghost, and then simply let Him have His way; and if He gives them the Spirit without manifestations, all right; but if He comes with overwhelming power, let us give Him the same glad welcome into our hearts and lives as though He had come quietly upon us.

Again let me say that I am against all fanaticism, and it would be folly to deny that there have been manifestations in this movement that are of the flesh. Some have undoubtedly gone to extremes, and that is always an evidence that they are in the flesh; that is, they go to extremes trying to do something, and the result is always bad; but this article is not meant to deal with what we are to do, but with that which God Himself by the Holy Ghost does, which is always the best thing for us, however it may appear to us. My cry is, "O God, send greater power than we have ever seen," and my advice to the people of God everywhere is to cry to God till He sends the power, and if we fall, as Daniel did when God met him on the banks of the Hiddekel, or as Paul on the way to Damascus, or John on Patmos, let us say amen to the will of God, and not grieve away the blessed Holy Spirit, by dictating to Him how He shall work. I am much more afraid of coldness and formality than I am of too much fire; in fact, I believe when we get the right amount of fire, and the fulness of the power of the Spirit of God, He will swallow up all counterfeits, just as Moses' rod swallowed up the rods of the magicians at Pharaoh's court. But if we devote our time to fighting what we believe to be counterfeit, it will not be long till there will be nothing left to fight; that is, the Spirit's power will cease, and we will be left as they are left in many places today, absolutely void of power. And again I say my cry is: "O God, let thy mighty power rest upon us, and manifest thy presence among us: let the people be convinced by what they see and hear."

I often asked, "What is the use of these manifestations?" My answer is, "Their value lies in what they evidence. They are unmistakable evidences that the power of God is working." Suppose two engines are standing side by side. One of them stands quietly; there is no escaping steam, nor motion of air pump, but all is quiet. The other

shows evidences of a full head of steam; that is, the safety valve frequently lifts, and a quantity of steam escapes, making considerable noise. You say to me, "I do not like that noise. Why is it so noisy?" Presently a man appears on the scene, glances at the two engines, climbs into the cab of the noisy engine, opens the throttle, it begins to exhaust, and the noise of steam escaping from its cylinders is heard. It moves off down the track. It is now ready to attach to a train of cars, and is in condition to pull them. Another man appears, and climbs to the cab of the other engine, and opens the throttle, but there is neither noise nor motion. The engine must be fired up before it is fit for service. There are more people today who need to be fired up than there are who need brakes attached to them. In fact, I feel that firemen are much more needed than brakemen. The reason there is so little evidence of life is because there is so little life. Who can dispute it?—Pentecostal Testimony.

1.—What should the Pentecost people do?

2.—Should they organize or remain with no order or government?

3.—Will any of the modern churches accept Pentecost? If they were to accept Pentecost would it be advisable according to Scripture to join such a church?

Before entering into the discussion of these questions, I will venture a few Scriptural statements, or quotations as answers.

FIRST

a.—They should be one. John 17:21,

22.

b.—They should speak the same thing.

c.—They should have no divisions.

1 Cor. 1:10.

d.—They should be perfectly joined together.

e.—They should be of the same mind together.

f.—They should be in the same judgment together.

SECOND

They should organize by all means. Let all things be done decently and in order. (organization).

b.—2 Peter 2:15, Jude 8.

THIRD.

Some have accepted Pentecost, and have already held conferences and changed their creed or articles of faith and put in Pentecost, others may, but the most popular churches will hardly do it. Were any or all of them to accept Pentecost it would be wrong to belong to any of them.

The Church of God has two great opposing forces. They are opposed to

each other and both at war against the Church of God.

One is religious Anarchy, the other is divided into two forms, and great in power, religious democracy, and religious republicanism. There is still another opposing force, but is meant to be kept in the background, and that is religious monarchism, both absolute and limited. These latter are exercised by men who aspire to leadership. These forces are all in strong opposition to the Church of God.

Cleveland, Tenn.

Dear Readers:

I feel led of the Lord to write my testimony. Praise His precious Name for the blessings He gives me. A little over two years ago the Lord wonderfully saved my soul, and shortly after He sanctified me. Glory to His precious Name.

All of my people were against my being sanctified, except a sister. I went to meeting one night, and came home and found out I was out of a home. But glory to Jesus, He is still with me. I went to a friend's house. I said I was willing to be treated that way for Jesus sake. I stayed away from home several days before I could even get my clothes, and all I had was just what I had on. Feeling that the Lord would have me do so I went to Rev. W. F. Bryant and asked him to let me board with him. He asked me why I had to go to boarding? I told him. He said if I would come under the rules of the home, all right. It will be two years the twelfth of next month since I came here to board, and I am still here.

I joined the Church of God two years ago last Christmas. Praise His precious Name. Two years ago last August, the Lord gave me the blessed Holy Ghost, with Bible evidence. Glory to Jesus. And He abides today. Praise His Name. I work in the mill every day, and have been for a number of years, but I feel that the Lord is calling me out to work for Him. But it seems so much for me to step out on the promises of God, trusting Him for everything. But when I see and hear of so many souls that don't even know of Jesus, how it does make my heart ache. The Lord has been blessing me all the time, ever since I was saved. Here of late, praise His Name for it, I feel a deeper determination to go on and do more for the Lord now than ever before. By His help I intend to do it. If the Lord wants me to go out into His vineyard and work for Him, instead of working in the mills. His will be done; I will go. Praise God. How I do praise God for the way He is leading me on into deeper things, with no father to my back. But how I do

praise God because I have a heavenly Father, that is greater than he, who will be with me always, even unto the end of the world. I praise God if our father and mother forsake us we can pick up our cross and follow Jesus. Glory to His Name. How I do praise God because He opened up a way for me to take two or three trips, one of which is about a hundred and fifty miles with Rev. W. F. Bryant and his two daughters, Agnes and Winnie. The Lord sure did bless us. Praise His Name. I want to ask an interest in your prayers, that God will supply all my needs. I do praise God for all the blessings He bestows upon me. Praise His Name now and forever.

Your sister under the blood, looking for the coming of Jesus.

MOLLIE BATES.

Reports.

Precious Saints of God:

Recently the Father permitted me to attend two camp meetings, one in Memphis, Tenn., where I got acquainted with dear Bro. Tomlinson, also with Dr. Yoakum, of California. The other camp meeting was held in Malvern, Ark., where I had the privilege of meeting many of God's dear saints and ministers. Dr. Yoakum's talks were a feast to my soul; full of marrow and fatness: yet simple as a little child, this good man appeared to me. The saints were all edified, and instructed and filled at times with inexpressible joy of heart. Many were healed, some saved and some baptized with the Holy Ghost. Yet within there was not the victory that might have been, as many who had come from a distance had to go away without receiving their heart's desire. Bro. L. P. Adams, who is the leader of the camp at Memphis is a very lovable man, and loves to talk about the great things of God.

In Malvern, Bro. Goss, and Bro. Bell were the leaders under God, who had made arrangements for the camp-meeting. They themselves never tried to preach but turned that part over to the visiting brethren. There were present, Bros. Canade and Jackson from N. C., Bro. Kinne from St. Louis, and Bro. W. H. Durham from Chicago. These all took their turn at giving out the Word. Some were saved and sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost, although at this camp there was not full victory for some cause. The saints who were visiting were many, and expressed themselves as having received much instruction, and many blessings. It was or seemed to be a time for teaching the saints. A very impressive service was held on Sunday morning, in memorial of Sr. Goss, deceased.

This precious sister with her husband have labored earnestly here, and at other places in Ark., and many at the camp honored her memory. At the close of the service some 65 young people responded to God's call for volunteers to go into His service and to fill the place made vacant by the death of Sr. Gross.

Our prayer to God for the saints is that they may be united in the service of God, and that they may love each other with a pure heart fervently.

In His Name,

A. J. BENSON, Austin, Tex.

Wimauma, Fla.

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

I feel that God has led me to write to the "Evening Light." I have searched a long time, but praise God on the 25th of last month the Lord fulfilled His promise and I got the blessing. Praise the Lord, glory. He did not give the blessing to me till I was willing to give up to His power. Two years ago the devil had a hold on our home, and none of us were saved, but praise God my mother, brother and myself are saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost, and my father is seeking the Holy Ghost. Praise God! Glory! My soul is just overflowing with joy all the time. Glory be to Jesus. Please pray for me and pray earnestly for my father. I want to be in the camp-meeting. Praise the Lord I was so happy today, the blessed power was on me all through service.

Your sister in Christ Jesus,
GERTRUDE DOUGLASS.

Armuchee, Ga.

Dear Readers of the little "White-winged Messenger:"

We are still here in the beautiful hills of North Georgia, near the city of Rome. Oh, how I praise God for the privilege of first breaking the news of full salvation to these hungry souls. How they sit and listen to the Word as it is being preached to them. Some have accepted the truth, prayed through and gotten the baptism with the Holy Ghost, with Bible evidence of speaking with other tongues. Glory to God. We organized the Church of God here yesterday, baptized eight persons and some more to follow. The Lord is stirring the people here. Some are saying they wish they had never heard this gospel. They know that it is the word of God, and that Jesus said: "He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him; the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day." John 12:48. "Neither say they in their hearts, Let us now fear the Lord our

God, that giveth rain, both the former and the latter in his season: he reserveth unto us the appointed weeks of the harvest." Jer. 5:24. "The prophets prophesy falsely, and the priests bear rule by their means, and my people love to have it so: what will ye do in the end thereof?" Jer. 5:31. Glory to God. He is revealing Himself to the people and they are waking up and getting the latter rain. Zech. 10:1. And the Lord is soon coming. The message is to get ready. Oh, get ready. Pray for wife and I that we may make full proof of the ministry.

J. W. BUCKALEW AND WIFE,
(Home address) Alabama City, Ala.

Arcadia, Fla.

Dear Bro. Tomlinson and Readers of
"The Evening Light and Church of
God Evangel:"

I praise God today for the victory I have in my soul. I have a determination to go through with Him let the cost be what it may. I realize that the sifting time is on and there are many faint hearted ones, yet I know that there will be a few that will be brought into unity, and will be purified and will be like Him when He appear. 1 John 3:2. Praise His dear Name forever. I want to go down before God more and more each day, and do His blessed will more perfectly than ever before. Oh, how I see the need of getting closer to God, that He may have His way with us more perfectly. I praise God for the way He is leading us in the last days, and for the light on the oneness of His people, that we know is going to be perfected before Jesus comes. I expect to be one among them God being my helper. I praise God for the loved ones I meet who want the truth of the Bible. I realize that the harvest is great but the laborers are few. Let us pray therefore the Lord of the harvest that He would send forth laborers into His harvest.

Dear Saints, I have some brothers and sisters who have started to seek God for His fulness. I ask you all to help me pray for them that they may go through with God, let the cost be what it may.

"Oh, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just to take Him at His word;
Just to rest upon His promises;
Just to know thus saith the Lord."

I want all the dear saints who read this to pray that I may get more and more in the center of God's will each day, that God may have his way more perfectly with me.

Your brother under the blood,
Z. R. THOMAS.

Good News.

Dear Bro. Tomlinson:

Blessings on you, and the readers of the paper. I thank God for the opportunity of writing a few lines to the "Evening Light." Bless His dear Name. Last year papa and mamma prayed that God would send some one to Friendship church (or very near that place) to hold a meeting, and they thought it would be the will of God to get Bro. Tomlinson. So they wrote to him about it, but he couldn't come; so we just took what we could get and was thankful for it. The next year, which was 1910, we called Bro. Tomlinson again and he said he could come, and when mamma heard the news she went out of the room into another, dancing and shouting the praises to God, because that God had answered her prayers. Well thank God, we had the best meeting we had ever had. Men and women were undoubtedly stirred. God did work. We truly believe the seed was sown in this past meeting, and I believe the result will be reaped next year, when Bro. Tomlinson and others whom the Lord will permit come back for a ten-days' meeting. God so wonderfully helped the preacher in showing the people how they ought to live, meek, humble and quiet. We were helped wonderfully on the question of feetwashing. It was my first time to be in a feetwashing, or even to see one, but I am sure it will not be my last, for it was the most wonderful thing I was ever in beside Pentecost. During the meeting here there was a boy chopping wood, and I was struck on the top of the head with the blade of the ax. It was prayed for and never did put me to any serious trouble. Well, this is my first time of writing to the "Evening Light" and I have written too much now. Pray that God will have His way with me.

Yours very truly'

C. O. HYDE,
Summer, Miss.**Cleveland, Tenn.**

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

I thought I would write my experience for the "Evening Light," and perhaps for the benefit of someone who is seeking the Lord, or that it might be the cause of some one turning and seeking the Lord. I praise God because He forgave my sins nine years ago. But I didn't live as true to Him as I ought to have done. I praise Him for sanctifying me, and baptizing me with the Holy Ghost on the 19th of Dec. 1908. I praise Him for His healing power. I was taken suddenly one evening with a hard chill and high fever, and called the saints in to pray for me, and the Lord healed me. I feel that

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Nov. 26-Dec. 5, 1910.

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M. T. WHIDDEN,
Crewsville, Fla.

I was almost raised from the dead, for I had almost ceased to breathe, and I was able after they had prayed for me, and the Lord had healed me, to get right out of bed and eat my supper. Pray for me that I may hold out faithful to the end.

Your sister under the blood,
MRS. A. L. CROW.

Lulu, Fla.

Dear Bro. Tomlinson:

I have been wanting to write a testimony of how Jesus has blessed me. He gave me the Holy Ghost with Bible evidence of speaking with tongues. Glory, Glory to His Name! Dear brothers and sisters, I had been using tobacco and smoking for 17 years and I belonged to the W. O. W. Secret order; Praise God. He helped me quit that worldly affair. Glory to Jesus. I want all the saints to pray for me that I may ever keep low and humble at Jesus feet. I am having some hard trials and temptations, but Jesus suffered all that before me, Praise God I am ever ready to suffer some of what Jesus suffered. Praise the Lord. Glory to His Name!

H. J. THOMAS.

Spring Place, Ga.

Dear Editor:

My trip to the Pentecostal people of your city was such a delight to me that I can't refrain from writing to you about it. I am just filled with God. It seems like fire going through my veins. I am burning through and through. I have just left all to God. The Lord spoke to me this a. m. and said to start a mission here and He would stand by me. I have six calls for meetings and I could use that many preachers. I want all the workers and preachers I can get up for these meetings. Please pray for us all down here. I feel my visit to your place was worth much to me.

Yours for the Lord,
HULL KERR,
Spring Place, Murray Co., Ga.

A soft answer turneth away wrath:
but grievous words stir up anger.

The tongue of the wise useth knowledge aright; but the mouth of fools poureth out foolishness.

The eyes of the Lord are in every place, beholding the evil and the good.

A wholesome tongue is a tree of life, but perverseness therein is a breach in the spirit.

A fool despiseth his father's instructions: but he that regardeth reproof is prudent. Prov. 15:1-6.

O, praise the Lord, all ye nations:
praise him, all ye people.

For his merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the Lord endureth forever. Praise ye the Lord. Psalm 117.

Living Water Springing Up.
My Dear Brothers and Sisters:

I write you all hoping this will come safe to you and find you well in soul and body. I don't feel well in body, but it is glory in my soul as I write you. It is glory! Glory! Praise His dear Name. The fire is burning in my soul, the fire of God's love. Bless His dear Name. I am feasting with my dear Lord. The well of living water is always springing up in my soul. I am doing all I can in letting the light shine, but have made little progress yet. I know my Heavenly Father has the power and am praying to Him. I am trusting that He will open a way so that I may do some good. I am not drawing back, but am looking to the Lord to keep me. It is glory in my soul. Praise God for Pentecost! Hallelujah! I have launched out into the depths of His love. Praise His Name. My Father has given me the heart to help the paper work along, but not the means. So I am praying for it. If I did have the means it might be that I wouldn't have the heart. I thank Him so many times for the way He leads me. I know it is the best way. Adelaide says she is still happy in Jesus and pray for her. Tell all the people who have not received Pentecost to be not afraid of it. bleis the day He gave me the Holy Ghost. He helps me live from day to day to do His

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A. J. TOMLINSON, T. L. McLAIN and others whom God may send will be present to obey the Lord.

For information about camping, etc., address C. B. MYER, Secretary, Arcadia, Florida.

blessed will. Pray for my family, that we may all have the baptism with the Holy Ghost. Some have already received Him. I need the prayers of all the saints.

Your sister under the blood,

CHRISTIAN PEARCE.

Great Faith.

Faith is trust, confidence in another. It is great when it rests upon One who is worthy of it, abundantly able to do all that the trusting one needs. "Its greatness is proved when itself is forgotten and Christ is all in all. Glass is good just in proportion as you see no glass, are conscious of no medium, but only of the landscape it discloses, or the sunlight it

transmits. This is great faith, which looks so wholly at Christ's power as to see no difficulty in the hardest case, so wholly at Christ's will as not even to think of the means by which the blessing may be wrought, if only he wills it: so wholly at Christ's glory that no thought of self steals in at all."—Laidlaw.

The members of the Lord's church are expected to obey Jesus in everything. Read carefully and prayerfully Paul's instructions in Eph. 5:23-32, and notice how the Apostle is teaching the church to be subject to Christ in everything.